

## **Housing Authority - County of Los Angeles**

September 17, 2009

To: Each Supervisor

From: Sean Rogan, Executive Director



**SUBJECT: MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM**

### **Board Directives**

On March 13, 2007, your Board instructed the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) to submit monthly progress reports to remove the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program from its troubled status under the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP). In addition, HUD requested monthly reports to the Board on the Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Program in reference to our Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for FY 2006-07. On June 17, 2008, your Board requested progress reports in obtaining Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Program vouchers. Most recently, on April 7, 2009, your Board instructed HACoLA to submit monthly reports on the status of delinquent reexaminations, included herein.

### **Corrective Action Plans (CAPs)**

I am pleased to inform you that HUD has closed out the Corrective Action Plans (CAPs) for FYE 2008 and FYE 2007 and removed the Section 8 Program from "Troubled Status". As a result, status reports on the FSS program are also no longer required. Furthermore, HACoLA received an award of 280 VASH vouchers and this request from your Board is now completed.

### **OIG Audits**

On April 7, 2009, your Board approved a \$1 million three-year repayment agreement and an enabling resolution to resolve an OIG Audit on Tenant Eligibility and Annual Reexaminations (No. 2008-LA-1007). On August 4, 2009, the Board approved a Board letter and revised resolution to pay the remaining balance. The final payment of \$833,333.34 was made on August 25, 2009. HACoLA is expecting HUD to close the OIG Audit this month.

On June 16, 2009, your Board approved a resolution to transfer \$2,953,443 from the Community Development Commission General Fund to repay the Section 8 Administrative Reserve fund to resolve OIG Financial Audit No. 2009-LA-1009). HUD has closed this audit in a letter dated July 23, 2009 and no further action is needed.

### **Reexaminations**

On July 7, 2009, HACoLA submitted to the Board recommendations on the annual reexamination process to ensure that future backlogs are not created. On September 22, and 29, 2009 respectively, I will be requesting Board approval for a supplemental budget and to amend the Section 8 Program Administrative Plan to support these recommendations.

As of August 31, 2009, the HUD Public Information Center (PIC) reflects 263 delinquent reexaminations out of 18,639 active contracts based on a 14-month cycle. From July 1, 2009 through September 14, 2009, a total of 5,284 reexaminations were completed and 1,760 were in progress, as follows:

	Completed	In Progress
June	88	2
July	784	101
August	1420	285
September	537	888
October	1450	38
November	1005	446

### **Appointment of Assistant Executive Director**

I have appointed Dorian Jenkins as the Assistant Executive Director for the Housing Programs, effective September 29, 2009. Mr. Jenkins is currently the Manager of the Contract Maintenance Unit in the Assisted Housing Division. He was previously an Assistant Director with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles.

### **FINAL MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT**

The Corrective Action Plans and the OIG Audits have been resolved, and the Section 8 Program has been removed from troubled status and rated as a "Standard Performer". **In closing, it is appropriate that this be the final Monthly Progress Report to the Board, unless I hear from you otherwise.** Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

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c: Lari Sheehan, Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer/Clerk Board of Supervisors  
Each Deputy